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In Brief . . .

- **OFEB Seeks Public Affairs Volunteer for Public Service Recognition Week Event**

The Oregon Federal Executive Board (OFEB) is seeking a federal Public Affairs professional to assist with the development of a local public service awards event in Portland, Oregon, to coincide with Public Service Recognition Week, May 2 - 8, 2005. This person will work directly with OFEB Chair Jerry Lorang, Director, Veterans Affairs Regional Office, and OFEB staff to plan, recruit additional volunteers, and execute the event. The event is expected to include approximately five award categories and a recognizable public figure as a keynote speaker. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about the local federal community, showcase your talents, and contribute to the morale of federal employees. Expected time commitment would be 2 - 3 hours per week, January 12 - May 8. If interested, please contact Jeff Sargent at the OFEB, 503-326-3030 or jsargent@pcez.com, **by January 19th**.

- **OPM Postpones Hiring Flexibilities and Workplace Safety Workshops on West Coast**

The Office of Personnel Management has indefinitely postponed their Hiring Flexibilities and Workplace Safety Workshops on the West Coast, including one originally scheduled in Portland on January 27th. If this session is rescheduled, it will be posted in this newsletter and on the OFEB web site, at www.oregon.feb.gov.

- **GSA and OFEB Partner on Government Real Property Information Sharing**

The General Services Administration's (GSA) Real Property Information Sharing office has asked the OFEB to support the formation of a Federal Real Property Information Council. If your agency's property manager is interested, please contact Gary Jordon of the Government Real Property Information Sharing office, 202-501-1219 or gary.jordon@gsa.gov.

- **Forest Service Celebrates 100 Years of Stewardship**

The USDA Forest Service will celebrate its 100th anniversary on July 1, 2005. On this date 100 years ago, the Forest Service was created as an agency with a unique mission: to sustain healthy, diverse, and productive forests and grasslands for present and future generations. The creation of the Forest Service initiated a century of change in managing public forests and grasslands, with introduction of a new conservation ethic and professional workforce to carry it forth. As the agency approaches its centennial, we ask that you join us in reflecting on the organization's proud history and traditions and exploring ways to move into a new century of "caring for the land and serving people." You can find out more about Centennial events at www.fs.fed.us/centennial.

- **Federal Occupational Health Introduces New Smoking Cessation Program**

The Federal Occupational Health Office (FOH), a component of the U.S. Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, announces a newly enhanced program dedicated to helping federal employees quit smoking. FOH's **SmokeFree4You** Program provides federal agencies with an affordable, flexible smoking cessation tool specifically designed for federal employees. As the country's largest employer, with nearly 2.8 million employees and an estimated 450,000 smokers, it is important that the federal government do its share to help employees improve their health, as well as the burden on the healthcare system to treat smoking-related illnesses. To find out more about how to establish a program at your agency, contact Lou Glass, RN, Federal Occupational Health, at 206-615-2513 or lglass@psc.gov.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2005	
1/11-12 8:30 a.m.	CSRS Retirement & Estate Planning
<p>Experienced trainers offer in-depth insight into what you need to do to build and protect your retirement savings.</p> <p>Location: Green-Wyatt Federal Bldg. 1220 SW 3rd Ave., Room G70, Portland, OR 97204</p> <p>Day 1: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (registration 8:00 a.m.) Day 2: 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon</p> <p>Cost: \$100 for federal employees, \$40 for non-federal spouses. THIS CLASS IS FULL. Contact Mary Ceciliani at mcecilia@pcez.com or 503-326-3010 for questions.</p>	
1/13, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Minority Business Opportunity Committee
<p>Bi-monthly meeting of the committee dedicated to enhancing opportunities for minority businesses to gain govt. contracts.</p> <p>Location: The Port of Portland, 121 NW Everett St., Portland, OR 97209</p>	
1/13, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.	Combined Federal Campaign Luncheon
<p>The 2004 CFC comes to a close celebrating another successful fundraising year, bringing in over \$1.4 million for 1,000+ deserving charities. CFC Campaign Coordinators, Keyworkers and other volunteers have been invited.</p> <p>Location: University Place Hotel, Multnomah Falls Room, 310 SW Lincoln, Portland, OR 97201</p>	
1/20, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.	OFEB Policy Committee Meeting
<p>Quarterly meeting of the Oregon FEB's governing body.</p> <p>Location: Green-Wyatt Federal Bldg., 1220 SW 3rd Ave., Room 1474, Portland, OR 97204</p>	

OFEB COMMITTEE CORNERS

<p style="text-align: center;">Policy Committee</p> <p>The next meeting, on Thursday, Jan. 20th, will focus further on the OFEB's Leadership Development Program, spring symposium on govt. reorganization, and public service recognition.</p> <p>Q?: Ron Johnson, 503-326-2060; Jerry Lorang, 503-326-2515</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Administrative Services</p> <p>The committee meets again on Wed., February 2nd to further refine the Leadership Development Program and share up-dated information on local competitive sourcing activity.</p> <p>Q?: Lynda Stelzer, 503-230-4966; Kathy Eaton, 503-808-6092</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Combined Federal Campaign</p> <p>As of 1/7/04, the local 2004 CFC has raised just over \$1.4 million. The CFC Celebration Luncheon will be held Thursday, January 13th, as noted above.</p> <p>Q?: Jim Johnson, 503-294-2523; Jeff Sargent, 503-326-3030</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Emergency Preparedness</p> <p>The next Oregon Interagency COOP Partnership (OICP) meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Mar. 2nd, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Federal Highway Admin. in Vancouver.</p> <p>Q?: Gail Dreckman, 503-230-3778; Les Miller, 503-808-4400</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Employee Retention & Development</p> <p>The 2005 OFEB Retirement and Estate Planning seminar schedule has been released, and can be found at www.oregon.feb.gov. The Jan. and Apr. CSRS and Feb. FERS sessions are already FULL.</p> <p>Q?: Mary Ceciliani, 503-326-3010</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Minority Business Opportunity</p> <p>The MBOC will start the new year by hosting a special contract law training session for minority business contractors on January 20th, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the ODS Building in downtown Portland.</p> <p>Q?: Rhonnda Edmiston, 503-944-7587; Mary Witty, 503-326-5105</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Public Affairs</p> <p>The committee last met on Dec. 9th with an excellent presentation on the operations of the Mt. St. Helens Joint Information Center. The OFEB is currently seeking a Public Affairs professional to assist with developing an employee recognition event later this spring (see pg. 1).</p> <p>Q?: Michael Campbell, 503-808-6031</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Shared Neutrals/ADR</p> <p>The Shared Neutrals Board continues to work on a liaison training session, now tentatively scheduled for March. Group conflict facilitation services are also moving forward in development.</p> <p>Q?: Fran Peterson, 503-819-1087; Karin Waller, 503-239-9884</p>

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Federal Executive Boards - www.feb.gov
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Federal Long Term Care Insurance - www.ltcfed.com
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Air Force Reserve 939th ARW - www.afrc.af.mil/939ARW
Bonneville Power Administration - www.bpa.gov
Bureau of Land Management - www.or.blm.gov
Bureau of Reclamation - www.usbr.gov/pn
Coast Guard - www.uscg.mil/d13/default.htm
Dept. of Energy, Albany Research - www.alrc.doe.gov
Department of Homeland Security - www.dhs.gov
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Department of Justice - www.usdoj.gov
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Environmental Protection Agency - www.epa.gov/region10
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Federal Energy Regulatory Comm. - www.ferc.fed.us
Fish & Wildlife Service - pacific.fws.gov
Forest Service - www.fs.fed.us

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Money Management - www.mymoney.gov
Mt. St. Helens News - vulcan.wr.usgs.gov/Volcanoes/Cascades
President's Mgmt. Agenda - www.whitehouse.gov/results/agenda
SBA's SCORE Program - www.scorepdx.org/brc.htm

General Services Admin. - www.gsa.gov
Indian Health Service - www.ihs.gov
Internal Revenue Service - www.irs.ustreas.gov
Nat'l Agricultural Statistics Service - www.nass.usda.gov/or
National Labor Relations Board - www.nlrb.gov
Natural Resources Conserv. Svc. - www.or.nrcs.usda.gov
Oregon Military Dept. - www.oregon.gov/OMD
Rural Development - www.rurdev.usda.gov
Social Security Administration - www.ssa.gov
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Transportation Security Admin. - www.tsa.dot.gov/public
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - www.nwp.usace.army.mil
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